

Regular Meeting

Agenda Item #	16
Meeting Date	June 21, 2004
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Approved By	Richard M. Finn City Manager

Discussion Item	Single Reading Ordinance Re: Purchase of Police Departments Replacement Cars
Background	<p>These smaller vehicles will be used in the CID Unit, which will free up their current larger vehicles to be used as patrol cars. A single reading ordinance is required since funding is included in the current fiscal budget.</p> <p>The Council has requested additional info regarding the usage of a Hybrid vehicle in comparison to the conventional gas vehicle being proposed. Here is a list of facts regarding the Hybrid application for use in our Police Department:</p> <p>The city's automotive shop can only perform simple maintenance procedures on the vehicle. This could result in longer down time when repairs are needed. Toyota's hourly labor rate on the Prius is \$92.00.</p> <p>The Hybrid cost \$19,343.00 vs. the Taurus cost of \$13,905.25. The purchase of four Toyota Hybrids would cost an additional \$21,751.00.</p> <p>The Hybrids overall size of the vehicle is listed at 175" vs. the Taurus is listed at 197.6".</p> <p>Delivery is currently estimated at a 9 month back order vs. 1 week for the Taurus.</p> <p>There are currently no State or Local contracts for the Honda Hybrid that Takoma Park can take part in.</p> <p>Chief Creamer has also done some research by visiting the dealer and her findings were as follows:</p> <p>The Toyota representative refers to the Prius as a sub-compact vehicle. The most recent body style represents that of a hatchback. The cargo area is insufficient to accommodate the equipment the investigators carry in their vehicle, however, the rear seats fold down so that additional cargo could be stored. However, any of the equipment carried within the vehicle would be within view of the public, perhaps tempting break in to the vehicle. Without the use of the rear seats, the vehicle is now limited to the number of persons transported at any given time, to one (not including the driver). The sales representative could not answer the question of whether or not the battery could handle the additional draw from after market equipment (radio, siren, lights, etc). He confirmed that Toyota is accepting orders, and expected delivery is about 9 months.</p>

Policy	<p>Sec. 9A-13 Procurements exempt from competitive bidding.</p> <p>(e) Cooperative Purchasing. The City Administrator may enter into contracts or agreements for cooperative purchasing, as defined in Section 9A-4(f) of this chapter, without the requirement of competitive bidding by the City of Takoma Park, provided that such cooperative purchasing meets all of the requirements of this Article and Chapter 8A of the City of Takoma Park Code and is consistent with their provisions in every respect and that the cooperative purchasing agreement is subject to review and approval by the City Council by resolution prior to any actual purchase or purchases being made thereunder.</p> <p>(Ord. No. 1990-60, * 1, 12/10/1990)</p> <p>The City will be participating in Montgomery County's (11/20/2003-11/19/204) current contract # 4507000076, Off-the-Lot, New Vehicles</p>
Fiscal Impact	The cost for the purchase of four 2004 Ford Taurus SE's is \$56,475.00 which the council recently approved as a transfer from the Unappropriated Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing these vehicles
Attachments	Single Reading Ordinance
Recommendation	Approval of the Single Reading Ordinance & Award of the purchase to Koons Ford of Rockville
Special Consideration	N/A

Introduced by:

Single Reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-

AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT CARS FOR THE POLICE
DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, The City desires to participate in a Montgomery County, Maryland Contract for the purchase of four replacement vehicles for the CID Department, AND

WHEREAS, The equipment that best meets the need of the City's Police Department are four 2004 Ford Taurus SE's available from Koons Ford of Rockville, AND

WHEREAS, The Vehicles are available from Koons Ford of Rockville a Rider Clause participant, and has signed and cleared the Nuclear Free Zone Act, ordinance No. 2703,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute an agreement to purchase four 2004 Ford Taurus SE's for Fifty Six Thousand, Four Hundred, Seventy Five Dollars (\$56,475.00); AND

ADOPTED this_____ day of _____2004.

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NAY:

ABSTENTION:

ABSENT: